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TITLE OF INVENTION: METHOD OF SELECTING TRANSMISSION ANTENNA IN RADIO COMMUNICATION SYSTEM

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DETAILED ACTION

Allowable Subject Matter

- 1. Claims 1, 2, 4, 11, and 15 are allowed and are renumbered 1-5 respectively.
- 2. The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance: Regarding Claims 1, 2, 4, 11, and 15, recite specific features in which the prior art of record neither anticipates nor renders obviousness. The closest prior art relevant to applicant's claimed invention is Hiramatsu et al. which teaches a method fro transmission diversity which includes a antenna change control circuit that changes the antenna used dependent on a measures SIR in comparison to a threshold.
- 3. Regarding Claim 1, Hiramatsu et al. discloses a antenna selection system including transmitting a data block through a first one of a plurality of selected antennas (Col. 1, Lines 25-30, Fig. 1), receiving a first signal indicating through a check that an error occurred during transmission or reception of the data block after the data block is sent (Col. 6, Lines 41-54), selecting a second one of the plurality of antennas in response to the first error signal and retransmitting the data block through the second one of the plurality of antennas (base station performs antenna change control, Col. 6, Lines 41-54), and transmission and retransmission of the data block occurs through a mobile communication system (Col. 3, Lines 30-34).
- 4. However Hiramatsu et al. fails to disclose or render obvious transmitting a second data block through a second one of the plurality of antennas, the first error

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signal received after transmission of the second data block, the first data block is retransmitted only through the second one of the plurality of antennas in consecutive sequence with the second data block transmitted by the second one of the plurality of antennas, a sequential antenna selection and interruption of sequential selection of the plurality of antennas preventing the first data block from being retransmitted through the first one of the plurality of antennas; resuming sequential selection of the plurality of antennas after the data block is retransmitted through the second one of the plurality of antennas, said resuming including transmitting a third data block through the first one of the plurality of antennas an thereafter a fourth data block through the second one of the plurality of antennas after acknowledgement signals are respectively received for the third and fourth data blocks, transmitting additional data blocks through the sequentially selected antennas and an open loop transmit diversity technique is used to transmit data in the mobile communication system comprising TSTD techniques.

- 5. With respect to claims 2, 4, 11, and 15 are allowed for being dependent on an allowed base claim.
- 6. Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

Conclusion

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to STEVEN LIM whose telephone number is (571)270-1210. The examiner can normally be reached on Mon-Thurs 9:00am-4:00pm EST.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Lester Kincaid can be reached on (571)272-7922. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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/Steven Lim/ Examiner, Art Unit 2617